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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (CANCELLED)
- 2. (CANCELLED)
- 3. (Previously Presented) A solar cell unit as set forth in claim 6, wherein the drain channel has a rib projecting upward from a bottom of the drain channel and extending longitudinally of the drain channel.
- 4. (CANCELLED)
- 5. (CANCELLED)
- 6. (Previously Presented) A solar cell unit comprising:
  - a solar cell module;
- a module frame provided around the solar cell module as supporting the solar cell module for mounting the solar cell unit on an oblique roof;
- a drain channel provided along an edge of the module frame outside the module frame:

wherein the solar cell module has a rectangular shape;

the module frame includes two horizontal frame portions provided parallel to each other to be disposed on a roof ridge side and on an eave side, respectively, when the solar cell unit is mounted on the oblique roof, and a first side frame portion and a second side frame portion respectively extending from opposite ends of one of the horizontal frame portions to opposite ends of the other horizontal frame portion;

the drain channel is provided along an outer side of the first side frame portion;

the drain channel includes a channel bottom and opposite side walls; the second side frame portion has a planar projection projecting horizontally outward from an entire upper edge of the second side frame portion;

the projection is located at a higher level than the side walls of the drain channel; the drain channel and the projection each have a predetermined width; the width of the drain channel is greater than the width of the projection; and the drain channel has a barrier plate which closes one end of the drain channel located on the roof ridge side.

- 7. (Previously Presented) A solar cell unit as set forth in claim 6, wherein the projection has a rib projecting downward from a rear surface of the projection and extending along the second side frame portion for dripping rainwater flowing along the rear surface of the projection.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A solar cell unit eomprising as set forth in claim 6, wherein:

  a solar cell module:

a module frame provided around the solar cell module as supporting the solar cell module for mounting the solar cell unit on an oblique roof;

a drain channel provided along an edge of the module frame outside the module frame:

wherein the solar cell module has a rectangular shape;

the module frame includes two horizontal frame portions provided parallel to each other to be disposed on a roof ridge side and on an eave side, respectively, when the solar cell unit is mounted on the oblique roof, and a first side frame portion and a second side frame portion respectively extending from opposite ends of one of the horizontal frame portions to opposite ends of the other horizontal frame portion;

the drain channel is provided along an outer side of the first side frame portion; the drain channel includes a channel bottom and opposite side walls; Atty Dkt: 900-494 Art Unit: 1753

the second side frame portion has a planar projection projecting horizontally outward from an entire upper edge of the second side frame portion; the projection is located at a higher level than the side walls of the drain channel;

the first side frame portion further has an auxiliary drain channel projecting under the module and extending along an inner side of the first side frame portion; and

the drain channel has a barrier plate which closes one end of the drain channel located on the roof ridge side.

9. (Currently Amended) A solar cell unit-comprising as set forth in claim 6, wherein: a solar cell module:

a module frame provided around the solar cell module as supporting the solar cell module for mounting the solar cell unit on an oblique roof;

a drain channel provided along an edge of the module frame outside the module frame;

wherein the solar cell module has a rectangular shape;

the module frame includes two horizontal frame portions provided parallel to each other to be disposed on a roof ridge side and on an eave side, respectively, when the solar cell unit is mounted on the oblique roof, and a first side frame portion and a second side frame portion respectively extending from opposite ends of one of the horizontal frame portions to opposite ends of the other horizontal frame portion;

the drain channel is provided along an outer side of the first side frame portion; the drain channel includes a channel bottom and opposite side walls;

the second side frame portion has a planar projection projecting horizontally outward from an entire upper edge of the second side frame portion; the projection is located at a higher level than the side walls of the drain channel;

the first side frame portion further has a planar auxiliary projection projecting horizontally outward from an entire upper edge of the first side frame portion; and

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the drain channel has a barrier plate which closes one end of the drain channel located on the roof ridge side.

- 10. (Cancelled)
- 11. (Cancelled)
- 12. (Cancelled)
- 13. (Previously Presented) A solar cell unit as set forth in claim 8, wherein the drain channel has a rib projecting upward from a bottom of the drain channel and extending longitudinally of the drain channel.
- 14. (CANCELLED)
- 15. (CANCELLED)
- 16. (CANCELLED)
- 17. (CANCELLED)
- 18. (CANCELLED)
- 19. (CANCELLED)
- 20. (CANCELLED)